

NEBRASKA BOARD OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

MEETING MINUTES December 4, 2015

ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Medicine and Surgery was called to order by Chairman, Jeff Howorth, at 9:02 a.m. on December 4, 2015, in the Lighthouse Room, Country Inn & Suites, 5353 N 27th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The following members answered the roll call:

Jeffrey L. Howorth, Chair
Carl Smith, MD, Vice-Chair
Mark Goodman, MD
Judith Scott, DO
Todd Stull, MD

Absent: Merle Henkenius
Michael Bittles, MD
Karen Higgins, MD

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

Also present to participate in the meeting: Julie Akena, Assistant Attorney General; Kathie Lueke, Program Manager, Kelli Dalrymple, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit; Jeff Newman, Investigator; Kathy Krueger, Investigator, Larry Wiehn, Investigator, Russell Fosler, Investigator, Laura Weber, Investigator, Kristi Chapman, Investigator, Investigations Unit; Suzanna Glover-Ettrich, Department Legal Counsel; Anna Harrison, Compliance Monitor, Licensure Unit.

REVIEW OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

Scott moved, seconded by Goodman, to approve adoption of the agenda. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to approve the minutes of the meeting for October 16, 2015, with the stated changes. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Board of Medicine welcomed newly appointed board member, Todd Stull, MD.

INVESTIGATIONAL REPORTS, DISCIPLINARY REPORTS, APPLICATION REVIEW

Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to go into closed session at 9:05 a.m. for the purpose of review of investigational and disciplinary reports and other closed session items as identified on the agenda. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

Goodman recused himself from the meeting at 9:07 a.m.
Goodman rejoined the meeting at 9:08 a.m.

Goodman recused himself from the meeting at 9:36 a.m.
Goodman rejoined the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Goodman moved, seconded by Smith, to open the session at 10:31 a.m. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS ON APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSURE

Physician and Osteopathic Physician Application(s)

CATHERINE BRIGNONI - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

MARIA GUERRERO - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

ANDREW HOWARD - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Smith, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

LANIKA LAWLER - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

MICHAEL PRIOLA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

TANYA SCURRY - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

REID BRECKWOLDT - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

WILLIAM COHEN - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

RICHARD MALYSZEK - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

ENIOLOA OTUSESO - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Scott moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

CHARLES WILLIAMS - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull. Voting nay: Goodman. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

CLAUDIA ELSNER - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to table for further information. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

GRACE THEODORA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

LEONIDAS THEODORA - application for a license to practice medicine and surgery. Goodman moved, seconded by Scott, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

Acupuncture Application

RUN PING ZHOU - application for a license to practice as acupuncturist. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to deny the application based on the fact that applicant does not meet licensing requirements. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

Physician Assistant Applications

KIMBERLY LUNDER - application for a license to practice as a physician assistant. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

JOHN STEIGNER - application for a license to practice as a physician assistant. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to recommend issuance of a license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

Physician and Osteopathic Reinstatements after Discipline

JASUNG KIM - application for reinstatement after discipline of a license to practice medicine and surgery. Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to approve requested removal of probationary terms and leave all current probationary terms and conditions/limitations as outlined on the license. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

2016 LEGISLATION UPDATE

Dale Mahlman from the Nebraska Medical Association provided a list of potential bill subjects that may come up in the new legislation period.

Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to go back into closed session at 10:52 a.m. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

Smith moved, seconded by Goodman, to open the session at 11:02 a.m. Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull, Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried.

PRACTICE QUESTION(S)

Can a physician assistant work with a podiatrist and is it part of the scope of practice between the current supervising physician?

If it's within the scope of the supervising physician with whom the PA has a Practice Agreement and the supervising physician agrees to take on the responsibility, then yes.

REVIEW OF PHARMACEUTICAL CARE AGREEMENTS – CONSENT

SURGICAL TECHNOLOGISTS' TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Jeff Howorth and Kathie Lueke provided an overview of the last meeting on Surgical Techs. There is a meeting in December and January.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Smith moved, seconded by Scott, to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 am.
Voting aye: Howorth, Smith, Scott, Stull and Goodman. Voting nay: none. Absent: Bittles, Henkenius and Higgins. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

signature available upon request

Jeff Howorth, Chairman
Board of Medicine and Surgery